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OFFICIAL REPORTS

GROTON
N. H.

1932



ANNUAL REPORTS

— OF THE —

Selectmen, Clerk, Treasurer,
School Board and Other
Officials

— OF THE —

TOWN OF GROTON

— FOR —

THE YEAR ENDING JAN. 31, 1932

BRISTOL, N. H.
MUSGROVE PRINTING HOUSE
1932

TOWN OFFICERS

MODERATOR

AGNES A. LANE

CLERK AND TREASURER

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON

HEALTH OFFICER

Office Vacant

LAND AGENT

ARTHUR BROWN

TAX COLLECTOR

WARREN A. REMICK

POLICE

ELWIN G. GOULD

CONSTABLE

WARREN A. REMICK

SUPERVISORS OF ELECTION

ELIZABETH JEWELL WHITE

SARAH DUNKERTON

E. G. GOULD

LIBRARIAN

AGNES A. LANE

SELECTMEN

S. E. LANE

S. N. KINNE

L. S. HEMEON

SCHOOL BOARD

KATIE BROWN

LIZZIE KINNE

SARAH DUNKERTON

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BUDGET OF TOWN OF GROTON

Estimates of Revenues and Expenditures for year ending Jan. 31, 1933, compared with actual Revenues and Expenditures for year ending Jan. 31, 1932.

Sources of Revenues	Estimated	
	1931	1932
From state		
Savings bank tax	\$ 64.93	\$ 64.93
State aid maintenance	2,751.11	2,040.00
From local sources except taxes	228.99	228.99
Interest received	30.90	30.90
Taxes redeemed	392.79	392.79
From state, state aid construction	1,674.81	1,712.00
Amount raised on notes	1,000.00	
Dog licenses	50.00	50.00
Balance in treasury	1,492.27	1,823.44
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Total revenues from all sources		
except property taxes	\$ 7,685.80	\$ 6,343.05
Amount raised by property tax	19,051.09	19,051.09
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Total revenues	\$ 26,736.89	\$ 25,394.14

Purposes of Expenditures	Estimated	
	1931	1932
Current maintenance expenses :		
Town officers' salaries	\$ 635.60	\$ 700.00
Town officers' expenses	204.77	250.00
Fire department	32.18	50.00
Bounties	45.40	45.40
Vital statistics	4.00	4.00
State aid maintenance		
State's contribution	2,751.11	2,040.00
Town's contribution	1,479.93	1,360.00
Town maintenance	3,817.52	3,000.00
General expenses highway dept.	136.99	300.00
Libraries	15.00	15.00
Town poor	3.00	
Abatements refunded	50.90	
Interest on temporary loans	1,118.01	1,000.00
State aid construction		
State's contribution	1,674.81	1,712.00
Town's contribution	953.03	856.50
Payments on notes	3,000.00	2,000.00
Payments to other governmental divisions		
State tax	1,078.00	1,078.00
County tax	1,254.33	1,254.33
Payments to school district	4,623.95	2,914.26
Unclassified	2,034.94	2,034.95
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	\$ 24,913.47	\$ 20,614.44

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, APRIL 1, 1931

Lands and buildings	\$ 384,170.00
Horses, 30	2,300.00
Cows, 43	2,495.00
Neat stock, 4	200.00
Sheep, 34	165.00
Fowl, 83	110.00
Portable mills, 5	1,950.00
Boats and launches, 4	200.00
Wood and lumber	7,220.00
Gasoline pumps and tanks, 2	300.00
Electric plants	172,450.00
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	\$ 571,560.00

Polls, 67 at \$2.00	\$ 134.00
Rate per \$100.00, \$3.30	
Soldiers' exemptions	2,570.00
Property taxes	18,861.48

We certify that the above is a correct transcript of the footings of each column of taxable property, the amount of taxes levied, and the rate of taxation in the town of Groton in the year 1931.

S. E. LANE,
L. S. HEMEON,
S. N. KINNE,
Selectmen.

APPROPRIATIONS

County tax	\$ 1,254.33
State tax	1,078.00
Town charges	1,050.00
Highways and bridges	2,500.00
Winter breaking	500.00
State aid maintenance	1,200.00
State aid construction	871.50
Snow fence	200.00
Deficiency fund	4,307.72
Town debt	1,000.00
Stove pipe	5.00
Shingles	150.000
Schools	4,663.95
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	\$ 18,780.50

TOWN OF GROTON BALANCE SHEET
JANUARY 30, 1932

ASSETS

Cash in hands of treasurer	\$ 1,823.44
Bounties	45.40
Taxes bought by town	1,408.79
Taxes not collected, levy of 1928	73.00
Taxes not collected, levy of 1931	7.56
Town of Rumney, use of tractor	60.00
Town of Hebron, culvert	25.00
Trust funds	20.35

Total assets	\$ 3,463.54
Excess of liabilities over assets	12,012.41

Grand total	\$ 15,475.95
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Net debt, Jan. 31, 1931	\$ 13,788.27
Net debt, Feb. 1, 1932	12,012.41

Decrease of debt	\$ 1,775.86
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LIABILITIES

Accounts owed by town	
Outstanding temporary loans	\$ 15,475.95

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Town hall, land and buildings	\$ 800.00
Equipment	200.00
Libraries	600.00
Equipment	40.00
Highway department, equipment	5,000.00
Schools, lands and buildings	1,860.00
Equipment	600.00
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	\$ 9,100.00

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1931

No. of autos taxed, 55	\$ 162.99
No. of dogs taxed, 18	50.00
No fires reported to this office in 1931.	

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
Town Clerk.

Examined and found correct.

EDNA D. GOULD,
FLORA COLBY,
ANNIE M. ESTY,
Town Auditors.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For the year ending Jan. 31, 1932

RECEIPTS

1931 Tax from W. A. Remick, collector	\$ 19,011.33
1932 Interest from W. A. Remick, collector	23.68
1930 Tax and interest	142.56
1929 Tax and interest	264.38
1928 Tax and interest	32.83
Pemigewasset National Bank, note	1,000.00
State Highway Department	4,425.92
Town of Wentworth	60.00
C. E. Matthews, for bridge timbers	6.00
Town clerk, auto permits	162.99
Town clerk, dog tax	50.00
Savings bank tax	64.93
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	\$ 25,244.62
Balance from 1931	1,492.27
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	\$ 26,736.89
Less selectmen's orders	24,913.47
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	\$ 1,823.42

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,

Treasurer.

Examined and found correct.

EDNA D. GOULD,

FLORA COLBY,

ANNIE M. ESTY,

Town Auditors.

SUMMARY OF RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS

RECEIPTS

From local sources

Amount committed to collector	\$ 19,018.98
Less uncollected for 1931	7.65
Less abatements	48.90
Property taxes, current year, actually collected	\$ 18,873.33
Poll taxes, current year, actually collected	138.00
Property and poll taxes, previous years, actually collected	39.76
Tax sales redeemed	392.79
Total of above collections	<hr/> \$ 19,443.88

From state

For highways	
State aid maintenance	\$ 2,751.11
State aid construction	1,674.81
Savings bank tax	64.93

From local sources, except taxes

Dog licenses	50.00
Interest received	30.90
Permits for the registration of motor vehicles	162.99
Temporary loans	1,000.00
Timber from old bridge	6.00
Tractor hire	60.00

Total receipts from all sources	<hr/> \$ 25,244.62
Cash on hand Feb. 1, 1931	1,492.27
Grand total	<hr/> \$ 26,736.89

PAYMENTS

General government	
Town officers' salaries	\$ 635.60
Town officers' expenses	204.77
Fire department	32.18
Bounties	45.40
Vital statistics	4.00
State aid maintenance	4,245.38
Town maintenance	3,817.52
General expense highway department	136.99
Libraries	15.00
Town poor	3.00
Abatements refunded	50.90
Unclassified	2,034.94
Interest on temporary loans	1,118.01
State aid construction	2,613.50
Payment on notes	3,000.00
Payment to other governmental divisions	6,956.28
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Total payments	\$ 24,913.47

DETAIL STATEMENT OF PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS' SALARIES

Edna D. Gould, auditor	\$ 7.00
Annie M. Esty, auditor	7.00
E. G. Gould, supervisor	7.00
Sarah Dunkerton, supervisor	8.75
Elizabeth J. White, supervisor	8.75
George F. Dunkerton, clerk and treasurer	110.00
S. E. Lane, selectman	194.25
Edna D. Gould, assistant librarian	7.50
Agnes A. Lane, librarian	15.00
Agnes A. Lane, moderator	1.75
W. A. Remick, collector	139.10
L. S. Hemeon, selectman	52.50
S. N. Kinne, selectman	77.00
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	\$ 635.60

MISCELLANEOUS BILLS

Jackman & Lang, bonds	\$ 10.00
Gilman & Cavis, bonds	25.00
Interest on notes	1,118.01
Payment on debt	3,000.00
George F. Dunkerton, expenses	52.00
S. E. Lane, expenses	99.75
L. S. Hemeon, expenses	45.02
S. N. Kinne, expenses	3.00
Bounties, S. N. Kinne	7.00
Bounties, Robert P. Kinne	10.80
L. S. Hemeon, bounties	10.40
S. E. Lane, bounties	17.20
Fred W. Brown, insurance and bonds	22.50

Association of N. H. Assessors	\$ 2.00
Musgrove Printing House	52.61
S. E. Lane, fire warden	32.18
G. F. Dunkerton, licenses and permits	19.85
Guy Taylor, care of tramps	3.00
Abatements refunded	50.90
Taxes bought by town	1,408.79
W. J. Randolph, transfer	8.92
J. W. Coolidge, vital statistics	1.50
Books for library	15.00
County treasurer	1,254.33
State treasurer	1,078.00
School district	4,623.95
S. Alice Cole, damage to car	54.49
A. F. Wentworth, Ingalls road bills	386.00
Eastman Co., stationery and record books	52.28
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	\$ 13,464.48

EXPENDITURES FOR MAINTENANCE OF TOWN HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

Supervision of P. D. Matthews

Bill of Mar.	14	\$ 33.75
	28	84.70
Apr.	4	48.34
	11	249.52
	18	178.32
	25	118.93
May	2	85.03
	9	21.79
June	6	188.34
July	4	21.73
	11	44.14
	25	28.78
Aug.	1	162.73
	7	90.50
	15	6.89
	22	38.00
	29	25.00
Sept.	5	24.07
Oct.	3	26.07
	10	48.70
	31	6.89
Nov.	7	15.50
	14	70.61
	28	31.00
Dec.	5	12.49
	26	28.00
Jan.		17.53

Total road bills

\$ 1,707.98

SCULPTURE ROCK BRIDGE

Supervision of P. D. Matthews

Bill of Aug.	8	\$ 41.17
	15	76.45
	22	34.13
	29	10.55

Total bridge bills	\$ 162.30
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Supervision of E. G. Gould

1931

Apr.	4	\$ 24.28
May	2	250.63
June	6	220.62
July	4	129.50
Aug.	1	112.94
Sept.	5	105.33
Oct.	3	49.00
Nov.	7	158.20
Dec.	5	179.57

1932

Jan.	2	85.00
	31	156.96

1931

Apr.	27	Hauley's bill	320.21
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\$ 1,792.24

MISCELLANEOUS TOWN HIGHWAY BILLS

Jan.	30	Northeast Metal Culvert Co., fence and culvert	\$ 155.00
		P. E. Perkins, tractor parts	78.37
		S. E. Lane, cartage	14.50
		W. A. Remick	44.12

\$ 291.99

STATE AID MAINTENANCE

S. E. Lane, Patrolman

1931

Bill of Mar.	28	\$ 76.50
Apr.	4	116.38
	11	86.95
	18	109.99
	25	107.50
May	2	93.61
	9	187.89
	16	223.67
	23	121.50
	30	113.28
June	6	74.61
	13	219.56
	20	190.60
	27	221.65
July	4	149.17
	11	165.88
	18	243.56
	25	163.56
Aug.	1	69.00
	8	74.11
	15	6.68
	22	215.00
	29	180.20
Oct.	3	89.22
	10	96.37
	17	28.30
Nov.	7	122.78
	14	149.27
	21	103.22
	28	193.36
Dec.	5	237.67
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		\$ 4,231.04

STATE AID CONSTRUCTION

S. E. Lane, Foreman

Bill of Sept.	5	\$ 288.14
	12	340.71
	19	223.37
	26	363.39
Oct.	3	524.09
	10	458.96
	17	347.00
	24	331.79
Total bills		<hr/> \$ 2,877.45
Selectmen's orders		2,627.84
Balance due S. E. Lane		<hr/> \$ 249.61

We, the undersigned, have examined the foregoing accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

ANNIE M. ESTY,
 FLORA COLBY,
 EDNA D. GOULD,
 Auditors.

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS

For year ending Dec. 31, 1931

No report submitted for 1931

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George W. Hall fund	\$ 100.00
Accrued interest Dec. 31, 1929	\$ 36.88
Income during year	4.25
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Accrued interest Dec. 31, 1930	\$ 41.13
Cyrus Blood fund	\$ 50.00
Accrued interest Dec. 31, 1929	\$ 24.45
Income during year	2.13
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Accrued interest Dec. 31, 1930	\$ 26.58

HERBERT REMICK,
S. N. KINNE,
Trustees of Trust Funds.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN AND TREASURER

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1931	\$ 8.09
Received:	
From town appropriation	15.00
From fines	1.16
From membership fees	.37
From assistant librarian	.02
From gifts	3.45
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Total receipts	\$ 28.09

EXPENDITURES

Paid:	
Books	\$ 23.24
Postage and stationery	.09
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Total expenditures	\$ 23.33
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Amount on hand Feb. 1, 1932	\$ 4.76

RESOURCES

Books owned Feb. 1, 1931	1,774
Books bought by town	17
Books added by gifts	31
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	1,822
Books destroyed	1
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Total number books owned Jan. 31, 1932	1,821
State reports, documents, etc.	9
Publication currently received	1

SERVICE

Volumes of non-fiction lent	5
Volumes of fiction lent	437
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Total current circulation during year	442
New borrowers added	16
Regular borrowers	23
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Total borrowers during year	39

AGNES A. LANE,
Librarian and Treasurer.

VITAL STATISTICS

For the year ending Dec. 31, 1931

BIRTHS

- In Bristol, N. H., Jan. 1, 1931, to Earle W. Brown and Eleanor Coolidge, a daughter, Maxine.
- In Groton, N. H., April 13, 1931, to Ernest E. Matthews and Ellen Woodward, a son, Stanley Gordon.
- In Groton, N. H., May 12, 1931, to Fred J. White and Cynthia Hurd, a son, James Nelson.
- In Groton, N. H., May 17, 1931, to Frank E. Matthews and Lena Hobart, a daughter.
- In Groton, N. H., July 12, 1931, to Herbert W. Remick and Dorothy J. Hill, a son, Arlan Emanuel.
- In Groton, N. H., July 26, 1931, to Edward Albert and Eliza Hache, a son.
- In Groton, N. H., Sept. 14, 1931, to Preston A. Bickford and Mary Baker, a daughter.
- In Groton, N. H., Dec. 12, 1931, to Morris W. Perron and Ruth S. Hichborn, a daughter.

MARRIAGES

- In Bristol, N. H., April 5, 1931, by Rev. A. Brownlow Thompson of Bristol, N. H., Carroll G. Matthews of Groton, N. H., and Ileene B. Adams of Bristol, N. H.

DEATHS

- In Holderness, N. H., Nov. 27, 1931, Ida May Kidder, age 64 years, 5 months, 10 days.

I hereby certify that the above records are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,

Town Clerk.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF
GROTON SCHOOL DISTRICT**

1930-1931

Moderator

Agnes A. Lane

Clerk and Treasurer

George F. Dunkerton

School Board

Sarah Dunkerton Katie E. Brown Lizzie M. Kinne

Auditors

Edna D. Gould Flora Colby Annie M. Esty

Superintendent of Schools

Vincent Gatto, Ed.M., Ashland, N. H.

Teachers

Helen M. Broderick, North Groton

Isabel Hachey, South Groton

Annual Report of District Treasurer

Fiscal year ending June 30, 1931

Cash on hand June 30, 1930, treasurer's bank balance	\$ 370.92
Received from selectmen	
Appropriation for current year	\$ 3,724.64
Dog tax	55.80
Received from state treasurer, state aid	1,286.47
Received from all other sources	33.53
	————— \$ 5,100.44
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Total amount available for fiscal year	\$ 5,471.36
Less school board orders paid.	5,354.97
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Balance on hand as of June 30, 1931, treasurer's bank balance	\$ 116.39

GEORGE F. DUNKERTON,
District Treasurer.

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books, vouchers, bank statements and other financial records of the treasurer of the school district of Groton, of which the above is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and find them correct in all respects.

EDNA D. GOULD,
FLORA COLBY,
ANNIE M. ESTY,
Auditors.

July 11, 1931.

Financial Report of the Groton School District

Fiscal year beginning July 1, 1930, and ending
June 30, 1931

Receipts:

Equalization fund for elementary schools, from state	\$ 1,286.47
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Income from local taxation

Raised by selectmen, for

Support elementary schools	\$ 2,589.64
Payment high school tuition	550.00
Salaries district officers	65.00
Truant officer and school census	10.00
Superintendent's excess salary	100.00
Payment per capita tax	120.00
Expenses of administration	25.00
Walls and ceiling, South Groton school	200.00
Stove and windows, North Groton school	65.00

Total	\$ 3,724.64
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From sources other than taxation

Dog licenses, from selectmen, 1929-30	\$ 55.80
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Sale of old windows, North Groton school	3.12
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For stove for town house, from selectmen	30.41
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Total	\$ 89.33
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Total receipts from all sources	\$ 5,100.44
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Cash on hand at beginning of year, July 1, 1930	370.92
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Grand total	\$ 5,471.36
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Payments:

Administration

Salaries of district officers	\$ 63.50	
Superintendent's excess salary	103.23	
Truant officers and school census	5.75	
Expense of administration	26.40	
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Instruction

Principals' and teachers' salaries	\$ 1,775.00	
Text books	24.46	
Scholars' supplies	50.33	
Other expenses of instruction	6.51	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,856.30

Operation and maintenance of school plant

Janitor service	\$ 72.00	
Fuel	107.50	
Water, light, janitor's supplies	13.12	
Minor repairs and expenses	55.72	
	<hr/>	\$ 248.34

Auxiliary agencies and special activities

Medical inspection	\$ 45.00	
Transportation of pupils	1,103.30	
High school tuition	564.66	
Elementary school tuition	725.64	
	<hr/>	\$ 2,438.60

Fixed charges

Tax for state wide supervision, \$2 per capita	\$ 120.00	
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Outlay for construction and equipment

South Groton school		
New walls and ceiling	\$ 314.00	
Partial payment for painting		
wall and ceiling	36.00	

Windows for North Groton school	\$ 30.00	
Stove for North Groton school	30.41	
Stove for town house	30.41	
	<hr/>	\$ 440.82

Debt, interest and other charges

Balance elementary tuition to Rum-		
ney school district, 1929-30	\$ 37.00	
Balance due on wood 1929-30	10.00	
Expenses of administration 1929-30	5.03	
	<hr/>	\$ 52.03

Total payments for all purposes	\$ 5,354.97
Total cash on hand at end of year, June 30, 1931	116.39

Grand total	<hr/>	\$ 5,471.36
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Balance Sheet

Assets:

Cash on hand, balance June 30, 1931	\$ 116.39
Excess of liabilities over assets	142.51
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Grand total	\$ 258.90

Liabilities:

Plymouth high school tuition	\$ 208.90
Amounts reserved for special purposes	
Water at South Groton school	50.00
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Total liabilities	\$ 258.90
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Grand total	\$ 258.90

Certificate

This is to certify that the information contained in this report was taken from official records and is complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. The accounts are kept in accordance with Public Laws, 1926, Chapter 68:22, and upon forms prescribed by the State Tax Commission.

KATIE E. BROWN,
SARAH DUNKERTON,
LIZZIE M. KINNE,
School Board.
VINCENT GATTO,
Superintendent.

July 1, 1931.

Auditors' Certificate

This is to certify that we have examined the books and other financial records of the school board of Groton, of which this is a true summary for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1931, and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

EDNA D. GOULD,
FLORA COLBY,
ANNIE M. ESTY,
Auditors.

July 11, 1931.

School Board's Estimate for 1932-33

School Board's statement of amounts required to support public schools and meet other statutory obligations of the district for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1932.

Detailed Statement of Expenditures:

	† Elementary Schools
* Support of schools	\$ 1,775.00
Text books	25.00
Scholars' supplies	35.00
Flags and appurtenances	5.00
Other expenses of instruction	10.00
Janitor service	72.00
Fuel	108.00
Water, light, janitors' supplies	30.00
Minor repairs and expenses	50.00
Health supervision, medical inspection	20.00
Transportation of pupils	650.00
Payment of elementary tuitions	671.18
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	\$ 3,451.18
Other statutory requirements	
Salaries of district officers	\$ 105.00
Truant officer and school census	10.00
Superintendent's excess salary	113.34
Per capita tax	94.00
Expenses of administration	25.00
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	\$ 347.34
Total amount required to meet school board's budget	<hr/>
	\$ 3,798.52

Estimated income of district:

Balance June 30, 1932	\$ 775.65
State aid	83.61
Dog tax	25.00

Deduct total estimated income	\$ 884.26
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Assessment required to balance school board's budget	\$ 2,914.26
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KATIE E. BROWN,
LIZZIE M. KINNE,
SARAH DUNKERTON,
School Board.

Groton, N. H., Feb. 19, 1932.

* 3.50 per \$1,000 of taxable inventory is minimum required by law.

† To apply for state aid \$2,985.98 must be raised for elementary schools.

